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THE WEATHER
Arkansas Fair and warmer
in the West Central portions
Tuesday night. Partly cloudy,
and warmer Wednesday.

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ITALIAN FLEET GETS ACROSS

36 Contractors in
Attendance Here
for High School

22 Bid on General Con-
struction Contract for
New Building

COMPETITION KEEN

14 Electrical, Plumbing
and Heating Men Ap-
pear at Meeting

BULLETIN

The competition for the Hope High School contract was whittled down from 22 general contractors to 5, at 3 p.m. Tuesday. At that hour the Hope Board of Education was considering the proposals of the following contractors: Tom Wilmet, Camden; J. O. Neal, Hope; Oates Building & Construction Co., Texarkana; and J. H. Reddick, Fort Smith. There was a possibility that an agreement on the successful bidder would not be reached until Wednesday.

Twenty-two general construction contractors, and fourteen seeking the separate contracts for electrical, plumbing and heating fixtures, attended the contract bid meeting for Hope's new high school building. Tuesday at city hall.

The contracts had not been let at mid-afternoon Tuesday, but are expected to be closed Tuesday night.

Construction is to begin immediately after the successful bidder is announced. The new building is to be located on South Main street, at Sixteenth, the bonds for its construction having been sold at a premium last fall.

Contractors Present
Contractors attending Tuesday's meeting are:

General contractors: Carter Construction Co., Gordon Walker, Hartlin & Newman, McGregor & Pickett, Leird & Seney, George Burden, R. L. Dickerson, Leveck & Sons, Fred Pratt, all of Little Rock.

J. D. Brock, Hot Springs, Ark.; Oates Building & Construction Co., Texarkana, Ark.; Robt. Higgins, Hot Springs, Ark.; Tom Wilmet, Camden, Ark.; J. M. O'Neal, Hope; J. H. Reddick, Fort Smith, Ark.; J. O. Everett Co., Dallas, Texas.

Walter M. Vernon, Fort Smith, Ark.; Buchanan & North, Fort Smith, Ark.; Campbell & White, Tyler, Texas; Buckley & Fitzpatrick, Dallas, Texas; J. M. Goehler, Seney, Ark.; The Ash-ton Glassell Co., Shreveport, Ark.

Electrical and Plumbing
Electrical Contractors—Arkansas Electric Co., Little Rock, Ark.; Toll Electric Co., Little Rock, Ark.; I. K. Electric Co., North Little Rock, Ark.; Electric Shop, Shreveport, La.; W. M. Cobb, Shreveport, La.; Logan Electric Co., Texarkana, Ark.; H. & H. Electric Co., Camden, Ark.

Plumbing and Heating Contractors—Shaw Plumbing Co., Little Rock, Ark.; Peifer Plumbing Co., Little Rock, Ark.; Pettit-Galloway Co., Little Rock, Ark.; Shiver Bros., Hope, Ark.; E. D. Wakenight, Scarcey, Ark.; Robinson Bros., Pine Bluff, Ark.

Non-Union Geese Swell
Flock of South Dakotan

ONIDA, S. D.—(UPI)—Deeneys that work 24 hours a day are the Canadian geese of Bob Harry, living near here. Using them to attract the wild high flying Canadian geese, Harry as a reward allows his domestic geese to range a nearby pasture.

Recently he returned home to find his flock tremendously grown. A number of wild geese had joined them. As Harry watched, the domestic fowl led the wild birds to the burn. The wild honkers were timid but followed their hosts into the building.

Harry is worrying whether he has exceeded the game limit by closing the barn door.

Students Get "Break"

BERKELEY, Cal.—(UPI)—Students are behind in scholastic attainments at the University of California will receive a decided "break" in the near future," according to Thomas B. Steel, recorder of faculties, who announced a new rule which adds a six months period of "academic warning" to backward students.

Gets Belated Privileges

FONTENAY-LE-COMTE, France—(UPI)—M. Jean Nauleon, who is 93 and fought in the wars of the Second Empire, has just received his combatant card from the Government, giving him right to certain price reductions and privileges.

Radio Uses Steel By Ton

WASHINGTON—(AP)—About 110,000 tons of steel are being consumed annually by the American radio industry in the manufacture of receiving sets. Copper contributes 12,000 tons.

DO-X, Repaired, Is To Fly Atlantic January 20

Dornier's Giant Seaplane Reconditioned Following Fire in Lisbon Harbor, and Crew Leave Berlin to Join Ship Again in Portuguese City

BERLIN—The Dornier airplane works announced Tuesday that the big seaplane DO-X is scheduled to start its long-delayed trans-Atlantic flight to America January 20.

Repairs have been nearly completed on the wing which was damaged by fire last month while the big ship lay an anchor in Lisbon, Portugal. The ship's crew left Berlin Monday night on their way back to Lisbon to take over the plane again.

The DO-X, the world's largest airplane on land or sea, is a giant monoplane which has carried at one time 169 persons. Its wings have a spread

Chickens Stolen While Family Ill

Columbus Road Farm Gets Visit and Three Fat Hens Go Along

Reports From County, But None From the City Thus Far

Thieves are no respecters of sick folks.

C. L. Wehunt, who lives six miles out on the Columbus road, on the Goodbar farm, was ill in bed last week. So was his wife, who is now in a Hope hospital recovering from an operation.

Last Thursday, while the Wehunt family was indisposed, a small sedan was seen by the neighbors to drive up to the Wehunt farm. Men got out of the car, went to the Wehunt poultry pen, calmly killed three fat hens and packed them off to the car again and drove away.

Mr. Wehunt wasn't sure whether the vandals dressed the chickens right there on the scene, or waited until they got home. But their leisurely movements were described to the Wehunt family by neighbors shortly after the men drove off.

Mrs. Wehunt was brought to town by her husband Monday, and was operated on for gall-stones and appendicitis at John Chester hospital, where she is resting well Tuesday.

Dry Law Appeal Is Up to High Court

Supreme Court Advances Hearing Over all Cases to January 12

WASHINGTON—(UPI)—The government's appeal to test the recent decision of Federal Judge Clark, Newark, N. J., holding the prohibition amendment to be invalid, was advanced Tuesday by the United States Supreme Court for hearing January 12.

The government's test case was advanced ahead of all cases now awaiting hearing in the high court.

The government lost before Judge Clark in the trial of a Vermont township clerk charged with possessing two parts of beer, in federal court at Newark, N. J. However, the United States court of Appeals reversed Judge Clark, and the government hopes to make this final by a new decision of the Supreme Court.

The gas burners are placed underneath switches and other track work.

When the storms come the burners must be kept free from obstructions so they are lighted. They warm the steel just enough to melt the snow and ice.

Gas heat to keep railroad switches clean in winter was first proved practicable here last winter when during the worst blizzard in 10 years, the Union Passenger Station track approaches were kept free.

Forge of Valley Forge Will Be Reconstructed

PHILADELPHIA—(UPI)—The forge from which Valley Forge derived its name will be reconstructed in the near future at Valley Forge Park and the original model will be followed in every detail.

The site of the old forge was a matter of speculation for years. Recently, however, researchers working under direction of the Valley Forge Park Commission discovered an old sketch written by Isaac Anderson carver in the nineteenth century which disclosed the location.

Immediately excavators were set to work and buried under several feet of silt was found the foundations, board flooring, water-wheels, tools, a dam and sluice-way. It was the site of the Colonial forge. Proceedings already have been started by the on which the old forge stood. As Park Commission to acquire the land as son as this is accomplished actual work of reconstruction will begin.

Paid His Taxes Twice

FRESNO, Cal.—Taxes were high this year for Harrison Galleron, hotel proprietor. He owed \$99 and paid it to a "tax collector" who called. Investigation disclosed that the "collector" was not a tax collector, so Galleron had to pay the \$99 again.

Locomotive Attached

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Paving Taxes for 1931 Cut 20 Per Cent. in District Three

Reduction This Year Only Means Saving of \$1,600 for Ward One

RESERVE BUILT UP

Taxes Will Revert to Higher Figure Again in 1932, However

A reduction of 20 per cent in 1931 paving taxes for Street Improvement District No. 3 was announced Tuesday by the commissioners of the district.

This means a saving of approximately \$1,600 in paving taxes to be paid this year in Ward One.

Our agents are today forwarding you your orders for these campaigns.

The great growth in the sale of these popular brands, Lucky Strike and Cremo—unprecedented in the tobacco industry—has been made possible by the power of newspaper advertising.

We are again in 1931 increasing our newspaper advertising expenditure because we believe that this year like 1930 will be a year of bigger business with us. Frankly we do appreciate the power of public opinion generated through proper and intelligent newspaper advertising.

(Signed) George W. Hill, President of the American Tobacco Company.

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The Star's Platform

CITY
Apply the revenues of the municipal power plant to develop the industrial and social resources of Hope.

More city pavement in 1931, and improved sanitary conditions in the alleys and business back-yards.

Support the Chamber of Commerce.

COUNTY
A county highway program providing for the construction of a minimum amount of all-weather road each year, to gradually reduce the dirt road mileage.

Political and economic support for every scientific agricultural program which offers practical benefits to Hempstead county greatest industry.

Encourage farmer organizations, believing that co-operative effort is as practical in the country as it is in town.

STATE
Continued progress on the state highway program,
Farmers' tax reform, and a more efficient government through
the budget system of expenditures.

Free Arkansas from the cattle tick.

Uniting the Railroads

BROADLY speaking, there are two kinds of mergers in the business world: those born of high prosperity, and those born of bleak depression. It is apparent that the four-trunk-line plan agreed on by the eastern railroad executives recently involves mergers of the second variety.

For many years we saw plenty of mergers of the prosperity kind. There were not so many in the railroad field as in other branches of industry, although the Van Sweringens' putting together of a number of separate railroads probably could be classed under that heading. But mergers that take place nowadays are of the depression kind, and this projected scheme of railroad combinations is no exception.

Indeed, these mergers seem to have been born, not merely of the depression, but of a sharp fight for self-preservation. The railroads have not been having easy sailing lately, and their troubles have been due to a cruel combination of circumstances.

First of all, there has been the automobile. The motor bus has taken thousands of passengers from the railroads. The privately-owned pleasure car has taken more thousands; consider, indeed, the enormous number of Americans who invariably take their summer vacations in their autos these days instead of using the trains.

On top of that, and even more serious in its effects, has been the motor truck. This has taken thousands of tons of freight from the railroads, both in the long-haul and short-haul divisions.

Then there has been the growing development of inland waterways, fostered by the federal government. It is probably true that in the long run these waterways, by increasing the prosperity of the territory they serve, will boost the railroads' business; their immediate effect is to cut railroad traffic, and cut it sharply.

Add to these factors the growing use of pipe lines for the transportation of oil and natural gas—with latter development cuts down the shipment of coal to an enormous extent—the emergency of the airplane as a passenger carrier, and the general nationwide business depression, and it is easy to see that the railroads have been faced with a serious situation.

Thus the merger movement is natural. There may be objections to the particular plan that has been adopted; but some sort of realignment, plainly, is essential.

To Safeguard Marriage

MARRIAGE license bill which Senator Hendricks of Pasci county proposes to introduce in the legislature would require couples contemplating marriage in Arkansas to give five days' written notice to a county clerk before that official can issue a license to the applicants.

The ends sought by this measure are to give those concerned time for sober reflection before they take an irretrievable step, and equally important in the case of the immature, to give parents and guardians time and opportunity to interpose any objections they may feel called on to make. That such restrictions are desirable hardly needs arguing. Happy marriages have been the outcome of impulsive decisions. But as a general thing, marriage on impulse is to be discouraged.

If the mutual attraction is real and solid, and true adaptability exists, a brief period of delay will in no wise alter the love and affection a man and a woman hold for each other.

Marriage is ordinarily the greatest responsibility an individual assumes during his or her lifetime. It can make or mar a life, and attached to it probably will be the equally heavy responsibilities of fatherhood and motherhood. It is the last of human relationships to be entered into without due thought.

It is primarily to protect its own people, younger and older, that Arkansas needs a law restrictive of hasty and ill-considered marriages. But it would serve the further desirable purpose of keeping Arkansas from being made a Gretna Green by couples seeking to evade restrictions which neighboring states have wisely imposed.—Arkansas Gazette.

Cuban Discontent

SEVERAL Latin-American countries have had revolutions in the last few months. Most of the overthrows have been surprising in their suddenness, completeness and comparative bloodlessness. The situation was ripe for a change. orderly political procedure was made impossible by unconstitutional rule, and so the desired change was effected by violence. The result, in most cases, seems to be about what would have been accomplished by honest elections. The public was better satisfied afterward than before.

Where will the revolutionary lightning strike next? Observers will not be surprised if it strikes in Cuba. The opposition to President Machado seems to be growing. He holds his power now by a virtual dictatorship. His army and navy are said to be ripe for revolt. There is much opposition to him in Havana. His friends are boycotted. The interior of the island is hungry and rebellious. Machado's large expenditures are resented.

A spark might start a big fire. And Uncle Sam, who has lawful right to preserve peace and order in Cuba, might intervene to save Machado.—*Pyrugould Daily Press*.

Bad Dreams!



Daily WASHINGTON LETTER

BY RODNEY DUTCHER
NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON — The five-day working week as a partial solution of unemployment, proposed by Senator Watson of Indiana, Democratic Chairman Raskob and many others, is unlikely to be endorsed by the administration.

In fact, the federal employees in Washington haven't even been able to wrangle a five-and-a-half-day week out of their superiors, despite the fact that the law appears to demand it.

Hardly anyone has been proposing that the government undertake to pass laws for a five-day week in private industry, but it has been widely proposed that both the national government and various states and municipal governments stimulate the practice by leading the way. Uncle Sam, however, proves very cautious about giving his workers any more leisure.

When President Hoover issued an executive order allowing government workers the afternoon off on the Wednesday before Christmas, he carefully added the warning: "This order is not deemed as establishing a precedent."

Seek Half Holiday

But it seems reasonable to suppose that there will be a five-and-a-half-day week for government workers before there is any five-day week, as some general interest attaches to measures introduced by Senator Wesley Jones of Washington and Senator Kenneth McKellar of Tennessee. Jones would give all federal employees Saturday afternoon off beginning at 1 o'clock.

The Federal Bar Association made a long, exhaustive and futile search for such an order. It submitted a brief to the president last summer expressing the opinion that the Saturday half-holiday here was mandatory on the government.

But there is no promise that anything will be done until Congress acts again and meanwhile the government clerks will continue to feel that they are being gyped.

Amended Law
Then Congress amended the law to declare that Saturday afternoons and other holidays were holidays "for all purposes." It was stipulated that when department heads made their employees work overtime or on Sundays or holidays they should do so "by special order, stating the reason."

Nevertheless, the government clerks have gone right on working Saturday afternoons and they are doing that now. No one has been able to find any order, general or special, to account for this seeming defiance by the executive branch of government of what was the original intent of the legislative branch.

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BARBS

"The American people," says Thomas W. Lamont, financier, "never do things in halves." It is possible he's never been to a football game?

In the old days a hard driver meant a mean old boss. Nowadays he is one who does 60 an hour.

To many a disappointed investor, the "tome" of a stock market means just one note after another.

"Germany Inundated by Foreign Money." Headline. Here's one flood they won't "damn."

Sinclair Lewis' motto, judging from his utterances abroad, seems to be: "Every day and every way I am growing bitter and bitter."

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Political Announcements

The Star is authorized to make the following announcements of candidates subject to the action of the Democratic primary election:

CITY ELECTION
(January 27, 1931)
For Mayor
DORSEY McRAE
J. L. JAMISON
R. A. (RUFF) BOYETT
GILES H. GIBSON

For Alderman
JOHN HARTLETT (Ward 1)
E. G. COOP (Ward 1)
LUTHER GARNER (Ward 2)
FRANK WARD (Ward 2)
ROY JOHNSON (Ward 3)
W. A. LEWIS (Ward 3)
CHARLES SHIVER (Ward 4)
IRA HALLBURTON (Ward 4)
R. L. (BOB) GOSNELI (Ward 1)

For Treasurer
DALE C. JONES
J. W. HARPER

Daily Cross-word Puzzle

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle									
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courthouse, where the courtroom was filled to overflowing, said that he had come back with only the \$500 and his home, allowed under the bankruptcy law, and planned to start over again if his friends and neighbors desired to have him there.

Mayor George Smith presided and several business men made talks during which they recounted Mr. Banks' services for Fordyce in the past, his liberality to charities, and his efforts to help build up the town.

Mr. Banks told how he came to Fordyce from Monticello in 1886 and started in the insurance business. He said he was sorry he ever left Fordyce with his companies, which progressed here more rapidly than they ever have since.

He plans to obtain agencies, he said, and with his knowledge and experience in insurance, to build them up, he hopes to accumulate money enough to pay all his creditors. He believes he can interest large insurance companies in Arkansas, he said, and within two or three years hopes to be able to start another company of his own in Fordyce.

Mr. Banks said that many of his creditors will help him so they can collect what is due them. He is carrying \$1,600

SOCIETY

Mrs. Sid Henry

Telephone 321.

True worth is in being, not seeming—in doing each day that goes by. Some little good—not in dreaming Of great things to do by and by. For whatever men say in their blindness,

And spite of the fancies of youth, There's nothing so kindly as kindness, And nothing so royal as truth. We cannot make bargains for blisses, Nor catch them like fishes in nets; And sometimes the thing our life life misse

Helps more than the thing it gets. For good lieeth not in pursuing, Nor gaining of great or small. But just in the doing, and doing As we would be done by, is all.

—Selected.

James Montgomery, who has spent the Christmas vacation visiting with friends and relatives in the city, left Monday afternoon for Conway, where he will resume his studies in Hendrix College.

Mrs. D. B. Thompson left Monday afternoon for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ruffin Boyett in Little Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Robinson are spending the week visiting with friends and relatives in Little Rock.

Bay View Reading Club will meet Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. A. Henry on West Division street. The study subject is Oklahoma with Mrs. John S. Gibson Sr. as leader.

Circle No. 3 of the Woman's Misionary Society of the First Methodist church held its initial meeting of the year on Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. R. L. Gossell on East Second street with Messengers W. T. Gorham and L. W. Young as associate hostesses. Mrs. R. L. Brone led the devotional using as her subject "The Sorrow on the Mount." Following a short program the election of officers was held. Mrs. D. B. Thompson, leader; Mrs. R. L. Brone, assistant leader; Mrs. C. Parker social service superintendent. Eighteen members answered to the roll call and during the social hour, the hostesses served a delicious salad plate with tea.

Mrs. Charlie Shiver left this morning for a visit with Mrs. L. R. Pruitt and other friends in Little Rock.

Chas. Hanson Jr., is spending a few days visiting with friends and relatives in Little Rock.

Mrs. Lucile Barrow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Barrow of Ozan, and Miss Charlene Crane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Crane of Ozan, have gone to Tyler, Texas, where they are attending Tyler Commercial College.

The F. T. A. Council will meet Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the school.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Howard who were holiday guests of Dr. and Mrs. E. S. Richards have returned to their home in Atlanta, Ga.

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MOM'N POP



plays the week before. The City team's margin of victory was decisive, their total score for the two-game match being 1,402 against 1,132 for the Business Men.

Roy Stephenson, of the visitors, won first prize for high individual score, the award being two cans of Moreland's Chili.

Monday's scores were:

City team	Smith	Hicks	Bush	Men
G. Buerger	151	134	286	273
R. Bradshaw	113	153	266	247
Bill Brant	135	135	270	206
C. Baker	149	144	293	200
R. Stephenson	125	162	287	117
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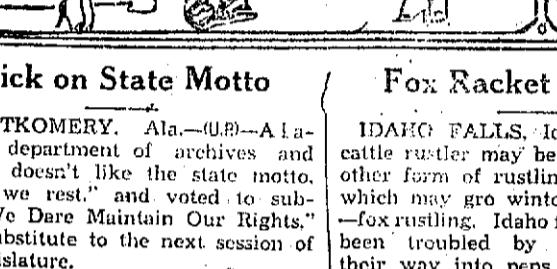
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Long, Long Ago



By Cowan



Fox Racket in Idaho

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho.—(UPI)—A Idaho's department of archives and history doesn't like the state motto, "Hear ye, rest," and voted to submit "We Dare Maintain Our Rights" as a substitute to the next session of the legislature.

F. H. Philbrick is in Gardon on business; this week.

Ab Fate, of Texarkana, was in Hope on business Monday.

Miss Opal Samuel who is a senior in A. & M. College, Magnolia spent the Christmas holidays visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Samuel and her grand mother Lloyd.

Old Documents Fail

BORDEAUX—(UPI)—The Republic of France has just won a long drawn out civil suit against two of its townspeople who disputed the States ownership of 22,230 acres of worthless sand-dunes situated in the two communes. The local authorities brought forth documents dating to the 15th century, but the Government won its case.

Murder at Bridge

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by ANNE AUSTIN
author of
"THE BLACK PIGEON"
"THE AVENGING PARROT"
"MURDER BACKSTAIRS"

BEGIN HERE TODAY
SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR DUNDEE believes that JUANITA SELIM and EXETER SPRAGUE were both hundred percent they were partners in a blackmail scheme, while the police theory is that they were killed to avenge ex-AGENT SAMMY RAVELLY, whom Nita is supposed to have double-crossed.

On Dundee's side possible suspects — J. D. G. MARSHALL, who had the weapon POLLY BEALE and CLIVE MOND, who married suddenly after Sprague's death; JOHN DIKE, JANET RAYMOND, in love with Sprague, and FLORA MILLER—his wife, is strongest against Flora. He believes that Nita had told her husband, TRACEY, of the plot, and involving her, and that Tracey killed Sprague to protect his wife from charges of murder. He learns that Flora and Tracey into marriage, and that her husband wallflower, was very different.

Taking up the trail in New York, he finds that the dress in which she was created and which he had never seen before was bought in 1918. He then goes to the Parrot School, where all the women involved in the mystery attended, and where Flora was a star of the Easter play. He learns from GLADYS EARLIE, bitter old maid, who is extremely fond of Nita, that Nita had not been divorced the year before. Miss Earlie, at scandals that have been flushed up by the wealthy parents of the Forsyte girls.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY CHAPTER XLII

BONNIE DUNDEE's heart leaped, but he forced himself to go softly. "I suppose," he said easily, "a fashionable school like this has plenty of carefully hushed-up scandals."

"I'll say it has!" Miss Earlie retorted indignantly, and with shuddish satisfaction. "Money can do anything! It makes my blood simply boil when I think of how those Forsyte girls in Hamilton—so smug and snobbish in their back town 'society'—must be running poor Nita down, now that she's dead and can't defend herself! . . . If the truth was only known about some of them!"

Dundee could almost have embraced the bony, life-spared spinster—she was making his task too easy for him.

"I've met them all, of course," he said deprecatingly, "and I must say they seem to be remarkably fine women and girls."

"Oh, are they?" Miss Earlie snorted. "Flora Hackett—Mrs. Tracey Miles she is now—didn't happen to tell you the nice little fuss she kicked up when she was here, did she? Oh, no! I guess not!"

"She looks," Dundee agreed, "like a girl who would have made things lively."

"I'll say so!" Miss Pendleton nearly had nervous prostration! Miss Earlie plunged on, then blushed her face for a moment.

"You know you've promised you'll never tell Miss Pendleton or Miss Macon that you talked to me!"

"You can depend on it that I will protect you," Dundee assured her. "When did Flora Hackett kick up her little rass?"

"Let's see . . . Flora graduated in June, 1920," Miss Earlie blurted, willingly. "So it must have been in 1919—yes, because she had one more year here. Of course they let her come back! . . . Money! . . .

"Well," Miss Earlie admitted reluctantly, "nothing ever came out on any of the others, but it looked mighty funny to me when Janet Raymond's mother came and took

her out of school right in the middle of a term and hauled her off to Europe for a whole year!"

"Janet looking as healthy as any other girl in the school, except that she was crying half the time, and smuggling special delivery letters in and out by one of the maids."

"Did you tell Nita these stories and point out the pictures of the girls?" Dundee had to risk asking.

Miss Earlie froze instantly. "Naturally she was interested in the school, and once when she said it always made her mad the way choruses girls were run down, I told her that in my opinion society girls were worse than actresses, and—well, of course, I gave her some examples, a lot of them worse than anything I've told you about Flora Hackett and Janet Raymond. I hope," she added viciously, "that Nita dropped a hint or two to Flora or Janet had the nerve to high-hat her when she was in Hamilton!"

"Perhaps she did," Dundee agreed softly. "By the way, how did Nita happen to get the job here of directing the Easter plays?"

"That's what the reporters wanted to know," Miss Pendleton smiled. "But Miss Pendleton wouldn't tell them, for fear Serena wouldn't like it, and maybe be drawn into the scandal, when everybody knows she's straight as a string."

"Did Serena Hart get her the job?" Dundee was amazed.

"Yes . . . Wait, I'll show you the letter of recommendation she wrote for Nita to Miss Pendleton," Miss Earlie offered eagerly. "Remember, now, you're not to tell on me!"

She went to a tall walnut filing cabinet, and quickly returned with a note, which she thrust into Dundee's willing hands. He read:

Dear Miss Pendleton: The bearer, Juanita Leigh, is rather badly in need of a job, and I have suggested that she apply to you for a chance to direct the Easter play. I have known Miss Leigh personally for 10 years, and have the highest regard, both for her character and for her ability. Since you usually stage musical comedies, I think Miss Leigh, who has been a socially dexterous as well as an actress in musical comedy for about 12 years, would be admirably suited for the work. Knowing my love for Forsythe as you do, I do not have to assure you that I would suggest nothing which would be detrimental to the school's best interest.

Fondly yours,

Serena Hart.

"She was wrong there, but I know it wasn't Nita's fault," Miss Earlie, who had been looking over his shoulder, commented upon the last sentence of the letter.

"Is Miss Hart appearing in a play now?" Dundee asked.

"No, but she's rehearsing in one—"Temptation"—which will open at the Warburton Theater next Monday night," the secretary answered.

"Then do you know, Miss Hart, whether Nita got married during the winter?" Dundee asked.

"Why, yes she did!" Serena Hart answered, her brow clearing after a frown of concentration. "I can't remember exactly when, but it was before the show closed—certainly a few weeks before, because the poor child was a deserted bride days before the closing notice was posted."

"Deserted!" Dundee exclaimed.

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A Page of North Hempstead
County News Gathered by The
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M'Caskill--BLEVINS NEWS--Tokio

Leaves For Truck Jobbers' Meeting

Uncertain as to Acreage of All Truck Crops This Year

Prior to a trip through the West Mr. H. M. Stephens, well-known Blevins business man, called a meeting of the local farmers after the Parent-Teachers Association last Friday evening. Mr. Stephens expects to leave Tuesday for the West on a three weeks' trip during which he will attend the Truck Jobbers' Convention in Phoenix, Arizona. Until he returns from that meeting Mr. Stephens will be uncertain as to what plans will be ready to make for this year's crop. There he hopes to get some idea of truck acreage throughout the country.

In his remarks Mr. Stephens was hopeful and encouraging. Although business is dull everywhere, he declared we are suffering from the drought more than anything else. He also reminded his hearers that periods of business depression came about every seven years and we had always lived through them. For next year he advised farmers not to try to make money but to get ready to make money later.

Mr. Stephens believes relief agencies will be helpful in this vicinity. The Red Cross is ready to relieve suffering, and the appropriation by Congress for the drought area will be of some assistance here he declared. He also said that while he would be unable to advance as much as formerly he would be in a position to furnish farmers on a moderate scale this year.

M. L. Nelson & Co. Ship Car Poultry

First of Many Cars That Are Expected to Be Shipped This Year

M. L. Nelson & Co. of Blevins shipped a car load of poultry to the New Orleans, La., market Tuesday afternoon. The car was accompanied by Mr. Nelson.

This is the first car load to be shipped from Blevins this year but Mr. Nelson expects to ship a number during the year. This fall plans of the company are to ship several cars of turkeys, instead of the one shipped on December 19, 1930.

It has been reported that a number of farmers in the Blevins territory are planning to raise quite a quantity of poultry this year. Many of these will be sold as broilers and fliers.

Auto License Are Issued at Blevins

M. L. Nelson Receives Appointment From John L. Wilson

M. L. Nelson of Blevins, has been appointed by Sheriff John L. Wilson as distributor for the 1931 automobile license tags in the Blevins territory.

Mr. Nelson has received the necessary blanks last week and Saturday issued quite a number of applications.

Those in that territory may pay Mr. Nelson, get their receipts from him and thus save a trip to either Washington or Hope. This accommodation by Sheriff Wilson is very commendable.

McCaskill Couple Wed During Xmas Holidays

Buster Lively of McCaskill, and Miss Pearl Murphy of Woodsonville, a small station near McCaskill, were married during the Christmas holidays.

The young couple will make their home near McCaskill.

BLACK-DRAUGHT BROUGHT RELIEF

Saved Needless Suffering, Says Lady Who Used To Have Severe Headaches.

Columbia, S. C.—"I have taken Black-Draught for thirty or more years and considered it a family medicine," writes Mrs. Luther Senn, 315 Eighth Street, this city.

"I gave it to my children for colds and children's ailments. It is very helpful. I took it myself for constipation and indigestion. I used to have very severe headaches that would leave me weak and tremble. I found that Black-Draught relieves this, so I do not let myself get without it. Black-Draught has saved me a lot of needless suffering. I am glad to recommend it to my friends and neighbors."

Thedford's Black-Draught is a purely vegetable cathartic or laxative medicine, composed of selected medicinal herbs and roots. Black-Draught is finely powdered, which enables the juices of the stomach to extract its medicinal properties in an easy, natural way.

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SWEET HOME ITEMS

Holiday season is past and most every one is entering in the new year with unusual zeal.

Mrs. Willie Whiteside of Blevins visited her sister, Mrs. Clifford Huskey Thursday.

Bro. Brooks Stell of Delight, filled his regular appointment here and preached three splendid sermons. Saturday evening subject, "Little Thines." Sunday morning, "The New and the Old." Sunday evening, "A Good Minister."

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Yarberry and niece, Jesse, and son, Eron, were dinner guests at Carl Morris' Sunday.

Mrs. W. L. McDougal entertained the Intermediate Sunday School class at her home New Year's Eve from 6:30 till 8:30. All members of the class except three were present.

Mrs. Will Spears was visiting and shopping in Prescott Friday.

Mrs. Robert Peachy of Graysonia, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Huskey this week.

Miss Estell Copeland and girl friend of Delight, are guests of Miss Gertrude DeLaney.

J. R. Huskey was a pleasant caller at W. R. Campbell's Friday.

Joe Britt left Tuesday going to San Antonio, Texas, returning Friday.

Mount Montgomery made a quick trip to Prescott and Hope Friday.

L. Reese McDougal, a student of Prescott high school, attended church here Sunday.

Miss Ethel Spears, a student of the Prescott high school, spent the weekend with home folks and attended church here.

OUT OUR WAY



—By Williams

Another School Consolidated Here

Sweet Home District Joins With Blevins—Total of Ten Districts

At the meeting of the County Board of Education last Tuesday the proposed consolidation of Sweet Home District with Blevins was approved. No protest was offered and it is presumed there was no great opposition. This is the tenth district to be consolidated here in the last three years and the two townships of Wallaceburg and Redland are all in one school district.

Miss Faye Samuels Owns Fine Poultry

Flock Is Accredited Recent by A. H. Wade of Near Blevins

Last Tuesday when the list of persons in Hempstead county who had poultry flocks accredited for the year 1931, the name of Miss Faye Samuels of the DeAnza community, Hope Route 5 was unintentionally omitted.

Miss Samuels has the Rhode Island Red breed and fifty-seven birds were accredited by Mr. Wade when he called at the Samuels home late in 1930.

For the past several years Miss Samuels has been an active worker in 4-H club work, having poultry for one of her projects.

Several Move in North Hempstead

No Real Estate Deals Are Reported in This Section

A number of changes have been made in the north part of the county since the first of the year. Many farmers have moved into other communities and several have moved to other farms in the same community. There have not been many land sales in this section, as there usually is at this time of the year.

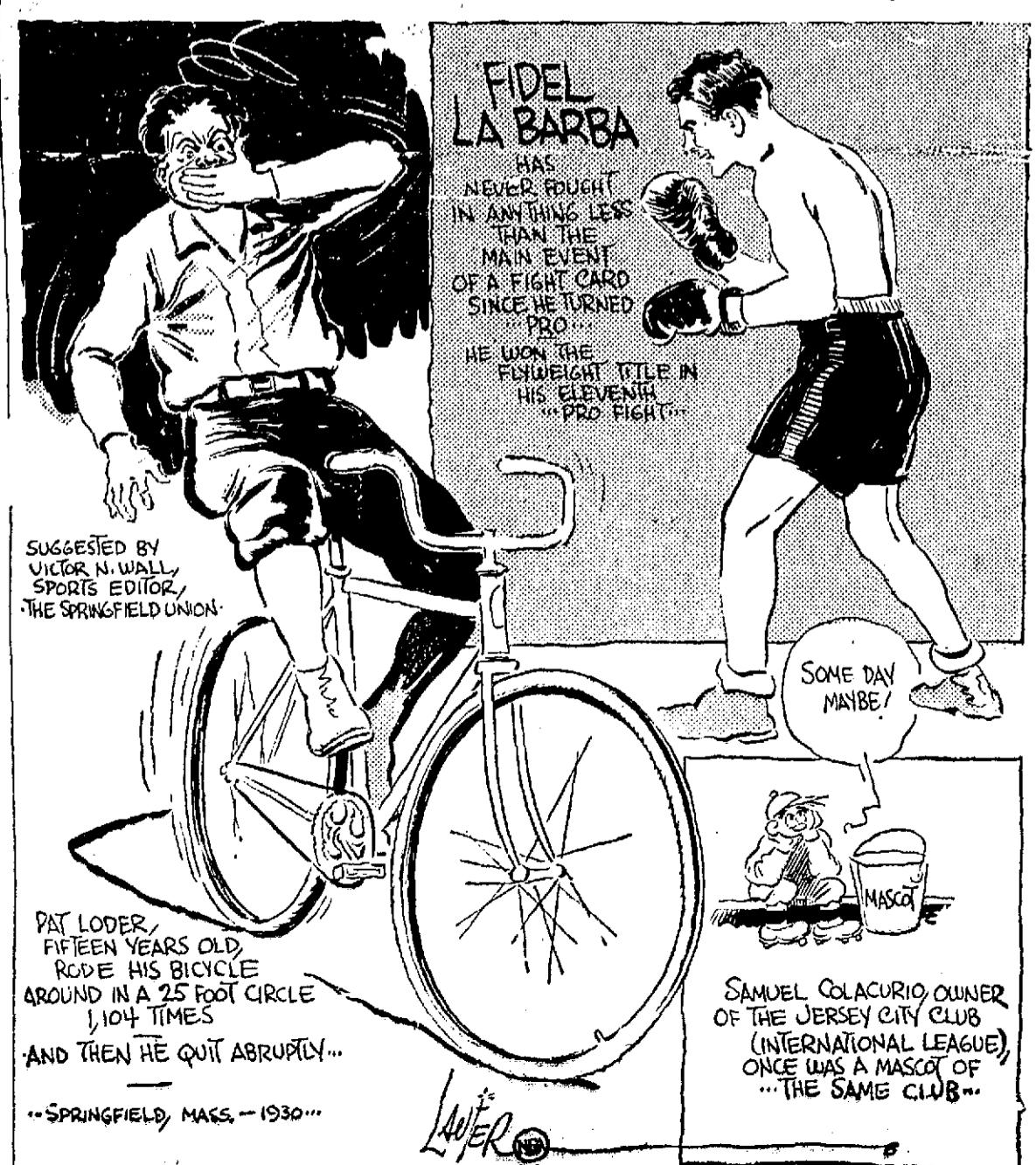
Mins were presented by a nominating committee, and Lyle Bruce was nominated from the floor.

Beauty Along Divers Lines



By Laufer

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MISS LOUISE BOND
McCaskill Correspondent
MRS. CLARICE STOKES

Parent-Teachers Elect Officers

J. Glenn Coker Heads the Organization for the Year 1931

Trickster Ousted From Annapolis



The initial meeting for the current school year of the Parent Teachers Association at Blevins was held Friday evening January 2. In the absence of the president, Roy Bonds, the meeting was called to order by Mr. Coker, Superintendent of Blevins schools. L. Nelson was elected temporary chairman and Mr. Coker, Mrs. H. Stephens Jr., and Miss Lola Brinkley were elected president, vice president and secretary respectively.

A partial financial report revealed that more than three hundred dollars was raised by this organization last year and expended upon physical equipment for the school. It was reported that a balance of \$24.00 left in the treasury from last year.

Mr. Coker pointed out that while much useful equipment might be added to the school it was not expedient to make any large expenditures at this time. First, he said, the school is meeting the state requirements with its present equipment. Secondly, he pointed out, a new high school building will be erected before next school opening and new equipment would necessarily have to be moved. Then he said, the real problem for this year is keeping children in clothing adequate for regular attendance at school, with assistance from other teachers and Sunday schools of the town. He already done much in that direction but the need requires more definite and concentrated action than the sources provide.

Epworth League to Present Play

"The Early Bird," to Be Given Friday Night, January 16

By a unanimous vote Mr. Coker instructed to purchase clothing needed required and the Parent Teachers Association would bear the expense.

A program committee, composed of Mrs. M. L. Nelson, Mrs. P. C. Stephens Jr., and Mrs. W. J. Whiteside was pointed and the meeting adjourned.

BELTON NEWS

Bro. Bolton of Ozan filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Herbert Lively of McCaskill, Miss Pearl Murphy of Tokio, were married at the home of Mr. C. D. Johnson's Christmas Day.

A domino party was enjoyed by Miss Irene Pickets, Wednesday night by several of her friends.

Otis Davis of Hope, visited his mother, Mrs. Bell Davis, of the last week.

The girls lost their first place basketball ball Wednesday when they played McCaskill.

Elton Daniel, a new resident of the place, made a business trip to S. over this week.

Mrs. J. J. Puckett and daughter Irene, of this place, attended a dinner at the home of Mrs. J. D. Eley of McCaskill.

Fred Daniel of Mansfield, died relatives of this place during Christmas holidays.

Miss Maggie Leslie of Mansfield, Miss Mary Leslie of Sparkman, Miss Minnie Leslie of DeQueen, and their husbands, and Mrs. S. F. Leslie of this place

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Report of the Condition of BANK OF BLEVINS

At the Close of Business on December 31, 1930

ASSETS

Loans and Discounts	\$ 67,800
Other Securities	500
Furniture and Fixtures	2,000
Banking House	2,500
Other Real Estate	4,230
Cash and Sight Exchange	32,400

TOTAL.....\$109,630

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$ 21,100
Surplus, Certified	5,000
Undivided Profits, Net	7,120
DEPOSITS	76,380

TOTAL.....\$109,650

Directors

H. M. Stephens, P. C. Stephens, H. M. Stephens